

# MISSISSIPPI WILDLAND FIRE ACADEMY

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The 2013 Mississippi Wildland Fire Academy is the tenth annual academy and will be held at the Southern Regional Fire Training Center, unless otherwise noted. It is our goal to provide convenient, first-rate training to all participants to meet National Wildfire Coordinating Group standards.

# DISPATCHING

## D110 Expanded Dispatch Recorder.

The course provides students with the skills to perform as an expanded dispatch recorder (EDRC). Topics include: the structure of the expanded dispatch organization, description of resource ordering and statusing process, and the importance of the EDRC having effective communication skills and working relationships. The final is a 4-hour, scenario-based exercise where students will complete resource order forms based on timed inputs and supplemental handouts. There is a Reference Guide at the end of Unit 3 that contains reference documents for students to use during the course and when on assignment. The course gives a very general overview of Resource Ordering and Statusing System (ROSS) - it does not teach students how to use ROSS. **Prerequisites** – None. Begins 10/28, Ends 10/29. Course Hours - 16.

# **D310 – Expanded Dispatch Support Dispatcher**

This course is designed to prepare the student to accomplish the duties and responsibilities of an Expanded Dispatch Support Dispatcher (EDSD). Through hands on exercises that utilize the Resource Ordering and Status System (ROSS) the student will organize, plan and implement a dispatch area to meet the needs of the incident(s); follow established policies and procedures using resource orders and supplemental forms, to mobilize, reassign, and demobilize resources; and demonstrate the ability to respond to changing priorities and situations. **Prerequisites** – Qualified as an expanded dispatch recorder (EDSD). Satisfactory completion of pre-selection assessment and pre-course work. Begins 10/21, Ends 10/25. Course Hours: 36-38,

#### LEADERSHIP TRAINING

# L-280 Followership To Leadership.

This training course is designed as a self-assessment opportunity for individuals preparing to step into a leadership role. The course combines one day of classroom instruction followed by a second day in the field with students working through a series of problem solving events in small teams (Field Leadership Assessment Course). Topics include leadership values and principles, transition challenges for new leaders, situational leadership, team cohesion factors, ethical decision making, and after action review techniques. Some course delivery may be arduous in nature. **Prerequisites** – L-180 (Human Factors in the Wildland Fire Service). Begins 10/28, Ends 10/30. Course Hours - 20.

# MANAGEMENT

# M-410 Facilitative Instructor.

This training course is designed to help students become effective facilitative instructors. The purpose of this course is to improve training delivery and quality by presenting instructional methods with an emphasis on student-oriented adult training techniques. This course is designed for students to meet NWCG instructor requirements. **Prerequisites** – Satisfactory completion of pre-course work. Begins 10/21, Ends 10/25. Course Hours - 36.

### PRESCRIBED FIRE

# **RX 341 Prescribed Fire Plan Preparation.**

The purpose of RX-341, Prescribed Fire Plan Preparation, is to provide students with the skills/knowledge to prepare a prescribed fire plan for technical review and approval in accordance with the Interagency Prescribed Fire Planning and Implementation Procedures Reference Guide. **Prerequisites** - Introduction to Wildland Fire Behavior Calculations, S-390, Proficient in the use of BehavePlus, Satisfactory completion of pre-course work, Fire personnel must be qualified as Incident Commander Type 4 (ICT4) and Resource personnel must have knowledge of fire suppression principles and techniques. Begins 10/21, Ends 10/25. Course Hours - 34.

## SUPPRESSION SKILLS

# S-200 Initial Attack Incident Commander.

This course is designed to meet the training needs of the incident commander type 4 (ICT4). It is presented in a discussion/exercise format. The six instructional units include Foundation Skills; Intelligence Gathering and Documentation; Size Up the Incident; Develop a Plan of Action; Post-fire Activities; Evaluating Incident Objectives and Manage the Incident. Evaluation of the student is by unit tests and performance based evaluations. **Prerequisites** - Satisfactory completion of pre-course work. Begins 10/28, Ends 10/30. Course Hours - 34.

# S-232 – Dozer Boss (Single Resources)

This is a skill course is designed to meet the training needs of a Dozer Boss on an incident as outlined the PMS 310-1 and the Position Task Book developed for the position. Primary considerations are tactical use and safety precautions required to establish and maintain an effective dozer operation. A field exercise is required as part of the course. **Prerequisites** – Qualified as firefighter type 1. Begins 10/30, Ends 11/1. Course Hours - 18-22.

#### S-248 - Status/Check-in Recorder

This course is designed to introduce students to the tools and techniques used to perform the duties of a status check-in recorder (SCKN). The course provides an overview of what a student can expect if dispatched to an incident. **Prerequisites** - It is recommended that students have Basic ICS (I-200); Human Factors (I-180); and basic computer skills in the Windows environment. Begins 10/31, Ends 11/1. Course Hours - 16.

# S-260 - Interagency Incident Business Management

This course meets the general training needs of all positions for which an understanding of interagency incident business management is required. The Interagency Incident Business Management Handbook, PMS 902, is used as the primary job aid to supplement this course. It provides basic policy and direction for incident business management. **Prerequisites** – None.

Begins 11/4 - 11/5. Course Hours - 16-20.

# S-270 - Basic Air Operations

This course covers aircraft types and capabilities, aviation management and safety for flying in and working with agency aircraft, tactical and logistical uses of aircraft, and requirements for helicopter take-off and landing areas. Note: The regulations, procedures and policies addressed in this course are primarily those governing federal agency and ICS operations. State, county, or other political subdivisions using this course will need to consult their agency having jurisdiction with respect to regulations, procedures and policies. **Prerequisites** – Satisfactory completion of pre-course work. Begins 10/31 – Ends 11/1. Course Hours - 17.

# SUPPRESSION SKILLS

# S-271 – Helicopter Crewmember

This is a combined classroom/field course designed to provide student proficiency in all areas of the tactical and logistical use of helicopters to achieve efficiency and standardization. Topics include aviation safety, aircraft capabilities and limitations, aviation life support equipment, aviation mishap reporting, pre-flight checklist and briefing/debriefing, aviation transportation of hazardous materials, crash survival, helicopter operations, helicopter field exercise. The following Interagency Aviation Training (IAT) Accourses curriculums are intergraded and may be credited upon completion of this course: A-105 Aviation Life Support Equipment (ALSE), A-113 Crash Survival, and A-219 Helicopter Transport of External Cargo. **Prerequisites** - Non-fire personnel: None. Fire personnel: Qualified as a firefighter type 2 (FFT2). Begins 11/4 — Ends 11/8 Course Hours - 24-26.

#### S-290 – Intermediate Wildland Fire Behavior

This is a classroom-based skills course designed to prepare the prospective fireline supervisor to undertake safe and effective fire management operations. It is the second course in a series that collectively serves to develop fire behavior prediction knowledge and skills. Fire environment differences are discussed as necessary; instructor should stress local conditions. **Prerequisites** - Introduction to Wildland Fire Behavior (S-190), satisfactory completion of pre-selection assessment and satisfactory completion of pre-selection work. Begins 11/4 – Ends 11/8. Course Hours - 37.

# S-330 - Task Force/Strike Team Leader

This is a 24-hour course designed to meet the training requirements outlined in the PMS 310-1, Wildland Fire Qualification System Guide and the position task books developed for the positions of task force leader and strike team leader. Examples and exercises in this package are specific to wildland fire suppression. If students are expected to perform in some other risk area, exercises and examples appropriate to the expected risk areas should be added. **Prerequisites** - Qualified as any single resource boss, satisfactory completion of pre-selection assessment and satisfactory completion of pre-course work. Begins 11/6 – Ends 11/8. Course Hours - 26.

#### REGISTRATION

Registration for all classes will be handled by submitting a NWCG nomination to:

Jessica Hollingsworth, USDA Forest Service (601) 965-1622 office (601) 965-1779 fax jdhollingsworth@fs.fed.us

**Deadline for nomination will be September 27, 2013.** Nomination forms may be faxed, emailed or mailed. Nomination forms can be found at: http://www.nationalfiretraining.net/sa/nomination.htm

#### COURSE COORDINATORS

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# Participants will be responsible for their own lodging and meal arrangements.

#### LOCAL MOTELS INCLUDES:

Best Western Airport Inn (601) 936-2060, Website

Comfort Inn Airport — (601) 932-6009

Country Inn & Suites — (601) 420-2244, Website

Fairfield Inn — (601) 936-3434, Website

Hampton Inn — (601) 932-7676, Website

Holiday Inn Trustmark Park — (601) 939-5238,

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Holiday Inn Express — (601) 936-7005, Website

Jameson Inn — (601) 932-6030, Website

LaQuinta Inn & Suites — (601) 664-0065, Website

Ramada Pearl Jackson Airport, (601) 933-1122,

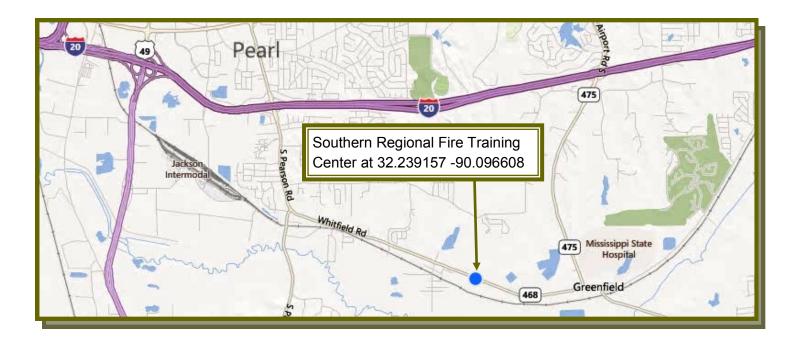
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#### LOCAL RESTAURANTS INCLUDES:

Arby's, Baskin-Robbins, Bumpers Drive-In, Captain D's Seafood, Cracker Barrel, El Charro, Jose's Tamales, KFC, Lone Star Steakhouse, McDonald's, O'Charley's, Pizza Hut, Popeye's Chicken, Ruby Tuesday, Ryan's Family Steakhouse, Shoney's, Sonic Drive-In, Starbucks, Subway Sandwiches, Wendy's, and many more.

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#### DRIVING INSTRUCTIONS (CLICK ON PICTURE FOR BING MAP)

**From Jackson:** 1-20 East to exit #48, south on Pearson Road into Hwy 468 (straight at traffic light), east on Hwy 468 to Training Center (on left).

**From Forest, MS or Airport:** Exit #52, south on Airport Road to Whitfield (3-way stop), west on Hwy 468 to Training Center (on right)

**For GPS Users: Coordinates:** 32.239157 -90.096608. When using a mapping search engine, please use these coordinates and not the street address.

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